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forward a work which they see can be accomplished without them. — But let the majority of ministers stand still and Christians halt between two opinions and the world pray for a defeat I believe most firmly, the Lord will raise up those who will break the storm. — I believe he means Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands to God & I believe he means the Amer. Col. Socy. ^{shall} ~~is to~~ be one powerful instrument in bringing it about. —

You said something of preparing some remarks upon this subject for Mr. Rand's paper. — I hope you have not abandoned the idea. — I wish you would take the plan of Transports (not saying whose it is) and explain how easily every man who would can obtain the Repository one year, become life member of the parent Socy. and be the means of carrying ~~home~~ one poor degraded creature to his country & his kin. — I believe upon this plan, as few friends as we have, we can send ^{away} the coming year our thousands instead of our hundreds. —

My respects to your Chum & believe me as ever
your sincere friend & brother in Christ

Geo. W. Campbell

P. S. I wrote to Mr. Gurley about the school or college we were speaking of but have had no answer. —

he intends to open his house still wider. —

I hope your zeal in this good cause has not abated but rather increased. — I sincerely believe it is the cause of humanity and of God. — The colony upon Liberia is in my opinion to be the avenue through which the gospel is to pass into Africa — it is to be a barrier to the slaveship — it is to be an asylum for the two millions who are groaning beneath the iron arm of slavery in our own "free" country. — Our ministers do not feel enough upon this subject they are for placing the whole concern into the hands of laymen. — They will, to be sure let me preach in their pulpits, but they don't take hold and lift as I want to see them.

I was sorry to learn from the last report that 24 ~~from~~ by the ship Don's fell victims to disease. — It seems however that there were from the north — I am inclined to believe the Society will be obliged, for the present, to confine their attention to colonists who shall go from the states south of the Potomack. — We may expect, however, that the climate will become more healthful as they clear up & settle the country. — The testimony of Capt. Nicolson of the U. S. Ship Antares is of great value — I liked men will begin to feel that the design of the Society is practicable & will begin to lend their aid to carry

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Bro. Phelps.

When I saw you at Andover I intended to have written you long ere this, for the purpose of letting you know what I was doing & why I was doing so — But my movements have been such that the Socy. whose agent I am has not been wonderfully benefited and of course any communication from me would not be wonderful interesting to you. — I remained in suspense some time before I ascertained the plan I sent on to Mr. Gurley was adopted. — I found the old plan of taking up collections or even of establishing Socys would amount to but very little I therefore concluded to take a new track which I sincerely hope and have some reason to believe will prove successful. — The plan I allude to you have I presume seen in the ^{Feb} March No. of the A. Repository. — I spent some little time in Washington Co. and have been as far west as Utica — I find but little very little interest in favour of the A. C. S. However information is diffusing itself and some few are beginning to look with seriousness into the subject. — I have obtained in all, between forty & fifty Transportation Subscriptions besides some donations. — While at Utica I visited G. Smith who started the plan for raising \$100,000 — His heart I find is in this thing & though he is to give his \$1000 in ten years